



**Town of Morinville
Committee of the Whole**

**Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 2:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
Morinville Civic Hall**

Members Present: Mayor S. Boersma
Deputy Mayor S. Richardson
Councillor J. Anheliger
Councillor S. Dafoe (Electronic Attendance via Microsoft Teams)
Councillor M. St. Denis
Councillor R. White

Members Absent: Councillor R. Balanko

Staff Present: N. Narayan, CAO
S. Edwards, General Manager, Community & Infrastructure Services
M. Hay, General Manager, Administrative Services
B. Boddez, Fire Chief / Manager, Community Safety Services
J. Betteridge, Manager, Infrastructure Services
T. Auer, Manager, Planning & Economic Development
T. Dalzell-Heise, Manager, Communications & Legislative Services
T. Nosko, Manager, Financial Services
J. Potocnik, Manager, Community Services
R. Gilbert, Legislative & Corporate Initiatives Coordinator
Sandra Davis, Legislative Consultant
J. Brush, Manager, Human Resource Services
F. Gingras, Supervisor, Corporate Communications

1. Call to Order

Acting Deputy Mayor R. White called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. and acknowledged that Town Council meets on Treaty 6 Territory, traditional land of the Cree, Dene, Stony Nakota Sioux, Saulteaux and Ojibwe First Nations and Metis people.

Acting Deputy Mayor R. White announced that Councillor S. Dafoe attends the meeting by means of electronic communications.

2. Approval of Agenda

2.1 Notice of Identified Meal Break: 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Acting Deputy Mayor R. White provided notice of an identified meal break (if required) between 6:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

2.2 Additional Items / Adoption

Moved by S. Boersma

That Council approves the agenda as presented.

For (5): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (5 to 0)

2.3 Consent Agenda

Moved by J. Anheliger

That Council approve the following items on the Consent Agenda and respective recommendations.

- 6.0 Council Boards / Committees / Commission Reports
- 7.0 Action Tracking List

For (5): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, S. Dafoe, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (5 to 0)

Deputy Mayor S. Richardson entered the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

3. Protocol Items

Council congratulated Fire Chief B. Boddez for a highly successful Fire Hall Open House which took place on Saturday, October 14, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

4. Presentation

Acting Deputy Mayor R. White passed the Chair to Deputy Mayor S. Richardson at 2:08 p.m.

4.1 Public Presentations

There were no public presentations.

4.2 Morinville Community Library Budget Presentation

L. Ladouceur, Treasurer, Morinville Public Library Board, made a PowerPoint presentation (Attached to Agenda).

I. Cramp, Manager, Morinville Public Library Board, answered questions from Council.

4.3 Musée Morinville Museum Budget Presentation

P. Houle, President, D. Belanger, Treasurer, and D. Garret, Museum Coordinator, Morinville Historical and Cultural Society, made a PowerPoint presentation (Attached to Agenda). D. Garret answered questions from Council.

Council expressed their appreciation for all the volunteer hours put in by the Museum Board.

4.4 Morinville & District Chamber of Commerce

M. Lee, President, Morinville & District Chamber of Commerce, made a verbal presentation

Councillor S. Dafoe left the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

R. Pawluk, Manager, Morinville & District Chamber of Commerce, M. Lee, and L. Monti, Director, Morinville & District Chamber of Commerce, answered questions from Council.

T. Auer, Manager, Planning and Economic Development, answered questions from Council.

Councillor S. Dafoe re-entered the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

5. Business

5.1 2024 Budget Update

N. Narayan, Chief Administrative Officer, made verbal opening remarks and provided an overview of the budget process, and questions asked, to date.

N. Narayan, B. Boddez, Fire Chief/Manager, Community Safety Services, J. Potocnik, Manager, Community Services, and J. Betteridge, Manager, Infrastructure Services, answered questions from Council.

Committee recessed at 3:57 p.m.

Committee reconvened at 4:06 p.m.

N. Narayan and T. Nosko, Manager, Financial Services, made final remarks and provided an overview of the budget process timeline.

Councillor S. Dafoe left the meeting at 4:54 p.m. and did not return.
Council recessed at 4:56 p.m.
Council reconvened at 5:00 p.m.

Moved by R. White

That Council directs Administration to bring forward a report with any cost saving or staff reorganization that would bring the Town of Morinville in line with similar sized municipalities.

For (2): S. Richardson, and R. White

Against (3): S. Boersma, J. Anheliger, and M. St. Denis

Defeated (2 to 3)

Moved by S. Boersma

That Council directs Administration regarding budget amendments, scenario development, ratio adjustments and business case support required to facilitate a decision on the 2024 – 2026 Operating Budget, 2024 – 2028 Long Term Operational Plan, and 2024 – 2033 Long-term Capital Plan as follows:

- 1) Move forward with the following business cases, as outlined in the Report to Council (Attached to Agenda):
 - Morinville Leisure Centre Hours of Operation referred to a future meeting with amendments to the statutory holiday opening hours and reduction of hours in Spring/Summer.
 - Community Bus.
 - Snow Clearing Service Level Change (to 12 cm).
- 2) Implement 1:1.33 (accelerated ratio) of the residential to non-residential tax ratio for 2024 as outlined in the Report to Council (Attached to Agenda).
- 3) Fund 80% of the first 5-years of the 2024 – 2033 Long-term Capital Plan as outlined in the Report to Council (Attached to Agenda).
- 4) Implement tax rate increases gradually phased in over a 5-year period as outlined in the Report to Council (Attached to Agenda).
- 5) Additional \$3,000 increase to the 2024 Budget as per the Musée Morinville Museum Budget Presentation request (Attached to Agenda).

For (5): S. Boersma, S. Richardson, J. Anheliger, M. St. Denis, and R. White

Carried (5 to 0)

6. Council Boards / Committees / Commission Reports

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

7. Action Tracking List

Approved on Consent Agenda;
That Council accept the Action Tracking List as information.

8. Closed Session

There were no scheduled Closed Session Items.

8.1 Return to Open Session

9. Business Arising from Closed Session

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

ORIGINAL SIGNED

Deputy Mayor

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Recording Secretary

November 28th, 2023

Date Approved by Council